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In the Abstract:

ABSTRACT OF THE INVENTION

~~A method~~ An apparatus for automatically cutting a workpiece comprising the steps of ~~the~~ a linear feed assembly for moving a workpiece along its longitudinal axis, and an automated cutting assembly for positioning a cutting blade by rotating the blade about a vertical axis, positioning the cutting blade by rotating about a bevel axis, and vertically moving the blade into cutting contact with the workpiece, thereby stab cutting the workpiece and creating a bevel cut. The method apparatus may also ~~comprises~~ comprise an assembly for moving the blade along a transverse axis. Further steps The apparatus may include an assembly for moving the cutting blade along a transverse axis simultaneous to moving the workpiece along ~~it~~ its longitudinal axis, thereby creating a scarf cut.

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